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FROM COLONEL ADAM STEPHEN.

CAMP ON LOYAL HANNON Septr. 9th. 1758

SIR,

Please to send up the mens Cloaths & Bayonets; The Season approaches which requires the Use of Both —

Your men in the Detachment have been greatly harrassed since the first of June; on which we Left Winchester by Sr John St Clairs Orders — Without any from Genl Forbes, or Col Bouquet, nay contrary to their intention as the Latter informed me; we are all obliged to the Qr. Mr. Genl. for that; as likewise for his particular regard for having us at Work rather [than] any other troop. His fondness in this respect, with his daring to Call us Mutineers; occasion'd a difference betwixt us which at present lies under the determination of Genl Forbes, Upon Whom Sr John waits, all the Way from Laurel Hill, to give his reasons for his behavior — The Cloaths belonging to my Company were sent to Fort Cumberland, those of the Other Companies were Left, in store at Raystown — You have no reason to Alter your Opinion of the Rout of the Army. — I can make it Appear that the Virginians have Contributed their Utmost to forward his Majestys Service — I inclose you a Return of the Detachmt, and am with Respect,

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Sir, your most Obt. huble. Sert. ADAM STEPHEN

A Return of the Invallet, under my Comd at Fort Pear Sall, September the [date mutilated] 1758.

NB: In Cludet me Self and one Corpt. of Capt. McNiells Compy.

John David Wilper Sergt.